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AND CHARGES PREFERRED

ARE INDIGNANT OVER

CHESTERFIELD SUICIDE

Mayor Taylor Forced by Police Board to Take Action.

NEGLECT IN HIS DUTY

This is Accusation That Former Captain of 2d Must Answer.

VERY WARM MEETING HELD

After Section of Charter Had Been Read to Him Mayor Taylor Signed His Name to the Charges and Ordered the Suspension of Captain Angle—Latter Will Not Talk.

Mayor Taylor's Order Suspending Capt. Angle

I prefer the following against Captain James B. Angle: Charges—Conduct unbecoming an officer and neglect of duty while in charge of the Second Police District as Captain, and order his immediate suspension from duty until the charges have been thoroughly investigated by the Board of Police Commissioners.

(Signed) R. M. TAYLOR, Mayor of Richmond.

After the most exciting meeting ever held by the present Board of Police Commissioners, Captain James B. Angle, formerly in charge of the Second District, but lately stationed in the First District, was suspended from duty by order of Mayor Taylor, the suspension taking effect within five minutes after His Honor signed the order. Now Captain Angle is resting under charges of conduct unbecoming an officer and neglect of duty, while Sergeant Jeter is acting captain of the First District. No specifications accompany the accusations against the well known police captain, but these will be filed within a day or two, and will relate that he permitted gambling houses to be conducted in the Second District, while he was in charge as captain.

Not until Mayor Taylor, and every member of the Board of Commissioners had looked horns time after time were the charges preferred. His Honor refusing point blank to either make the charges or suspend the officer until after Commissioner Manning had read from the city charter, a section pointing out the duties and authority of Mayor Taylor. After the meeting was the most exciting ever held in the City Hall, the charges being preferred by the Mayor at the request of the members of the Board of Commissioners, who in taking this step turned the tables completely upon His Honor, who was not at all expecting such action. It was not until after the meeting had been called to order that he was aware of what was in the air, as every member of the Board studiously refrained from discussing the purpose for which Mayor Taylor had been requested to call the meeting. As a result of the action of the Board in suspending Captain Angle it is probable that every policeman in the Second District will have charges entered against them for neglect of duty. Mayor Taylor taking the stand that they are equally as responsible as was their former captain for the existence of gambling houses in the district.

ANGLE NOTIFIED.
Immediately after the Board adjourned, the order for suspension was handed over to Chief of Police Howard by the clerk, and in less than it takes to tell, he was in telephonic communication with Captain Angle at the First Station. The Chief notified Angle of his suspension, and ordered him to turn the office over to Sergeant Jeter until further orders.

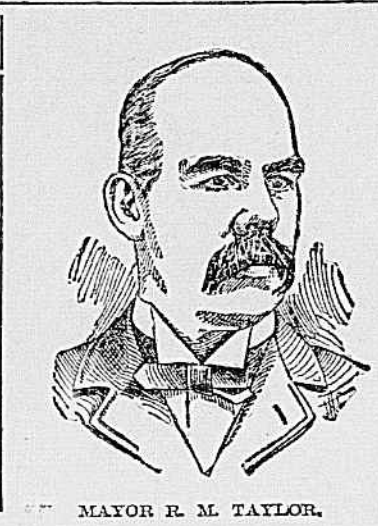
The Board was called to order. The following members were present: Manning, Boshier, Welch, McCarthy, Landerkin and Jacob. Mayor Taylor read the call for the special meeting, and horns were looked for the struggle between the chief Executive of the city and the Police Board, the latter coming out with flying colors.

Mr. Boshier asked the chairman if he had called a meeting of the Board, receiving an affirmative answer. The Mayor added that he was under the impression that the meeting was to be secret, and Mr. Boshier said he had evidently been misinformed. The misunderstanding assumed the proportions of a general discussion, when Commissioner Manning brought it to a close by stating that he had informed the clerk to keep the call as quiet as possible, as it was not desired that the announcement be made in the evening newspapers.

The Mayor then said that he had called the meeting at the request of the Board members, and wanted to know if they were ready to again take up the matters under hand, whereupon Mr. Landerkin arose from his chair and read a communication which was adopted at a caucus of the Board held the afternoon before. The paper requested that the Mayor prefer charges against Captain Angle for neglect of duty.



FORMER CAPT. J. B. ANGLE.



MAYOR R. M. TAYLOR.

within a reasonable time, on an investigation of the charges that have been so persistently made against members of the police force under our charge and supervision. For a long time these charges have continued to be made, and our Board has given much careful thought and consideration to the subject of an investigation of the charges.

We have now, however, determined as far as possible to sift all these charges to the bottom. We, therefore, request you, as Mayor of this city and president of this Board, to prefer charges of misconduct and neglect of duty against Captain James B. Angle, of the First Police District; that you suspend him from duty pending the investigation, and that he be given one week in which to prepare to meet these charges.

KNOW OF NO CHARGES.
With the conclusion of the reading of the communication from the board, the breach between Mayor Taylor and the commissioners was healed. He, however, stating that he knew of no charges to be made against Captain Angle. "Well, Mr. President," said Mr. McCarthy, "have you ever made an effort to find anything against him?"

He then read the following section: "He (the Mayor) shall exercise a constant supervision over the conduct of all subordinate officers, have power and authority to investigate their acts, have access to all books and documents in their offices, and may examine said officers and their subordinates on oath. He may also have the power to suspend or remove such officers for misconduct in office, or neglect of duty, to be specified in the order of suspension or removal."

The reading of this section of the charter had the desired result, for a few minutes later Mayor Taylor changed his mind and preferred the charges, in accordance with the request of the board.

'VARSITY ALUMNI TO CONSIDER

THE FACULTY CHAIRMANSHIP

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The report has aroused a lively interest among the alumni of the city, and in certain quarters there is much opposition to the appointment of Colonel Miles.

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There is no outspoken opposition, and those who are known to look with disfavor upon the proposed course of the board are reticent when asked for expressions of opinion on the question. The meeting will be called for the purpose of looking into the matter, and ascertaining the true situation in the board. Among the most common objections which are advanced against Colonel Miles' election are, that he is not fitted for the chair of economics, which he would fill; that he is not a man of letters; and that he is not a man of letters.

DEVELOPMENTS IN

SCANDAL PROBING

Checks Aggregating \$47,500 Traced—Subpoenas Issued for Those Now Holding Them.

(By Associated Press.)
ST. LOUIS, MO., September 26.—Developments in the boodle investigation were sensational to-day, subpoenas having been issued at the instance of Circuit Attorney Folger commanding Broker James C. Campbell and William Reid, his cashier, to appear in court with two checks aggregating \$47,500, dated November 23, 1899, and payable to Ed. Butler, a prominent local politician, and to explain the purpose for which the checks were drawn.

It was found on investigation by the grand jury that both checks had been cashed and returned to Broker Campbell. The date on these checks was the day on which the ten-year lighting bill was passed, for which nineteen men are said to have received \$2,500 each for their votes. Up to a late hour deputy sheriffs were unable to serve the subpoenas. At Broker Campbell's office it was stated that Reid had not been there since yesterday, and that his employer was in the East.

Another session of the grand jury was held to-day, several witnesses being examined. The last session before the trial report will be held on Monday. An additional effort to secure the release on writs of habeas corpus of the four former members of the House of Delegates, who are now in jail waiting trial on charges of perjury and bribery, failed.

HOLT INDICTED FOR CRIMINAL ASSAULT

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
PETERSBURG, VA., Sept. 26.—J. E. Holt, the well known young man in Matinees, charged with criminally assaulting the wife of Mr. J. E. Sadler, was sent on for trial in the County Court to-day by Justices Vaughn, Dunstan and Lewis.

He was admitted to half in the sum of \$200. The case was set for trial on Monday at 10 o'clock in the County Court.

FATAL QUARREL OVER CLOSING A WINDOW

(By Associated Press.)
CANTON, OHIO, September 26.—James Sheller, aged forty-three, was shot and probably fatally wounded to-day by Melvin R. Smith. Sheller was assistant car conductor and Smith a passenger. They had a controversy about closing a window.

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TERRIBLE CYCLONE

SOUTH OF SICILY

Vessels Wrecked and Hundreds of Lives Lost—Volcanoes Again in Activity.

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, September 26.—A dispatch from Rome to-day announces that a severe cyclone has swept over Catania, an island on the east coast of Sicily. Catania is flooded. The railroad has suffered seriously. The cyclone also wrought havoc at Modica, a town of Sicily, where many persons were killed. Mount Aetna showing further signs of activity, and the volcano of Stromboli is still active.

For twenty-four hours before the cyclone burst over the island a violent storm raged on the eastern coast of Sicily. The path of the cyclone was 124 miles long, and everything in the line of storm was destroyed. It is reported from Modica, (thirty-two miles west-southwest from Syracuse) that a hundred bodies have already been found, but that the number of dead bodies swept away by the torrent is unknown.

The newspaper Fracassa expresses the belief that some 400 people have been killed. He reported destroyed everything on the ground floors in houses in the lower portion of Modica. Damage amounting to a million lire has been done. The survivors of the catastrophe have taken refuge in the hills. Relief parties have been organized at Modica. The disaster is supposed to have been due to an enormous marine water-spout. The German steamer Capera was wrecked at Catania, after a terrible struggle with the waves.

U. S. STEEL CORPORATION WINS COMPLETE VICTORY

(By Associated Press.)
TRENTON, N. J., Sept. 26.—Justice Van Sickle, of the Court of Errors and Appeals, to-day filed a written opinion in the United States Steel Corporation case that was recently decided by the court in the corporation's favor. The case before the court was the suit instituted by Mrs. Miriam Berger. The opinion filed to-day sustains the constitutionality of the act of last winter under which the corporation undertook to convert \$200,000 worth of preferred stock into a like amount of bonds. The opinion also holds that the procedure followed by the corporation carrying out the conversion plan was fully authorized by the general corporation act. This is a complete victory for the United States Corporation.

ATTEMPT TO ROB

MISS ROSE C. SHAY

Well-Dressed Young Man Attempted to Jump from Train With Handsome Ruby Ring.

Miss Rose Cecilia Shay, of the Gordon-Shay Grand Opera Company, now on the boards of the Academy of Music, was the victim yesterday morning of a well-nigh successful attempt to rob her of a very handsome ring with ruby setting, the gift of her father, a millionaire of Cincinnati.

Miss Shay and the other members of the company were on their way from Norfolk to this city, coming over the Norfolk and Western. Just south of Waverly a neatly dressed young man went to Mr. J. Saunders Gordon, owner and manager, and asked to be presented to Miss Shay. He said he was well acquainted with Judge Shay, of Cincinnati, a near relative of the noted singer, and wished to have a chat with her. Mr. Gordon looked the young man over. He noticed that he had brown hair and a small dark moustache. He noted generally that he was well, though not showily, dressed, and possessed every appearance of being a gentleman. Mr. Gordon decided to let him see Miss Shay, and so took him back and introduced him. The man gave his name as Phillips. He at once entered into animated conversation with the lady and clearly showed that he was familiar with Cincinnati and knew something of her relatives there. Presently he noticed the ring and spoke admiringly of it. Miss Shay graciously removed it and handed it for his inspection. He took it to the window to examine in a better light, apparently. But just before he reached the window he made a dart for the door. The train was then slowing up for Waverly. Miss Shay screamed at her best style, using her voice to the limit of both range and volume. Mr. Gordon and Mr. Albert Albert rushed to the aid of the prima donna and on the way encountered friend Phillips, who was trying to reach the door. They seized him. Mr. Albert, who resorts to his native Italian when excited, began to fire the hottest words of his tropical language at him. In the struggle the ring dropped, and both men were so anxious to get it that for the moment Phillips was almost forgotten. He then made his escape, leaping from the train while it was in rapid motion.

The attempted theft was reported to Detective Baldwin, of the Norfolk and Western, and this officer thinks he knows the man. He is thought to be a gentleman of the smoothest bore. He probably does not know Judge Shay to his sorrow, possibly having stood before him as a criminal.

Success of This Year's Entertainment Practically Assured. Many Entries in Already.

The entry list for the Horse Show will be closed to-night. All those entering horses must be on or mail their filled entry blanks before 12 o'clock to-night or they will not be counted. On yesterday there were many horses entered and every indication that the list would greatly be increased. The officials of the association and Manager Smith believe that the success of the show is now assured in that the entries are coming in rapidly and among them many of the most famous horses in the country. The sale of tickets is increasing each day and so far as attendance is concerned the show will be the greatest ever given in the South. As soon as completed the entry list will be published and within the next week the official programme will be issued.

MISUNDERSTANDING AS TO

DR. MARY WALKER'S SEX

(By Associated Press.)
SYRACUSE, N. Y., September 26.—Dr. Mary Walker, of Oswego, strolled into the women's waiting room of the New York Central Railway this afternoon. Martha, the colored attendant, not knowing her, approached her and said: "You must get out of here, sah." "Why?" asked Dr. Mary. "Cause men 'ain't allowed here," was the answer. "Well, I want you to distinctly understand that I am not a man," said the doctor, with a stamp of her foot. "The other women in the room, thinking that she was an impostor, left, and Dr. Walker soon had the whole room to herself. She wore a long black coat, colored trousers and waistcoat of the same material, a high hat and a diamond stud, looking jauntier than ever before.

GENERAL FUNSTON

ON ARMY CANTEEN

Says its Abolition Has Done Great Injury to Many Soldiers of Previous Good Record.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., September 26.—Brigadier-General Frederick Funston, in his annual report of the Department of Colorado, points out that the percentage of trials by court-martial of enlisted men has nearly doubled during the past year. Upon this point the General says:

"It is therefore plain that there has been a deplorable increase of offenses in general and of desertion in particular. In my opinion, there are two principal causes for this state of affairs:

"First, resentment to unaccustomed limitations and restrictions felt by men returning from field service to the monotony and routine work of garrison life.

"Second, the abolition of the canteen feature of the post exchange. Since this action was taken saloons of the lowest type have been established just outside the boundary of the various reservations; their proprietors are, in almost every case, unprincipled scoundrels, who leave nothing undone to debase the soldiers and obtain their money."

"Being in all cases outside the limits of any city, the proprietors of these resorts are subject to no municipal police regulations, and sell liquor regardless of hours, and whether the buyer is already intoxicated or not. Gambling is universal in these 'dives,' and they are frequented by dissolute women. The soldier, whose desire for a drink would ordinarily be satisfied by a few glasses of beer in the canteen of the post exchange, goes to one of these resorts and does well if he escapes before he has spent or gambled away all his money, overstay his leave or engaged in an altercation."

"As a rule, the local authorities regard the existence of these places with indifference or approval, as it causes the soldier to spend his money in the community. The efficiency of the army or the ruin of good soldiers is nothing to them. There can be no reasonable doubt that most of the trials by general courts-martial and summary courts, at least so far as the army is concerned, are directly traceable to this cause. Since I have taken command here there have taken place the ruin or degradation of several non-commissioned officers of long service and fine records. In short, so far as this department is concerned, the abolition of the canteen has had no effect except to ruin scores of good soldiers and fill the pockets of a lot of saloon keepers, gamblers and prostitutes."

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The Congressman closed by alluding to the junketing trips of Roosevelt, which, he said, were degrading the dignity of the office. He also alluded to the President's signature at Arlington on Memorial Day, when he called southern soldiers "traitors and sons of traitors," and before a Grand Army Camp, on another occasion, when he said, "Every man in the Southern army was an anarchist."

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CONGRESSMAN HAY

OPENS CAMPAIGN

Free Silver and Bryan Are Relegated to the Rear.

OTHER MEN AND MEASURES

Must Unite on a Man Like Chief Justice Parker, of New York—Senator Martin Has a Deep Cold and Could Not Keep Appointment

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., Sept. 26.—Congressman James Hay took the stump here to-night, making the opening speech of his campaign in this, the Seventh District. Senator Martin was also to have addressed the voters, but was detained at his home in Scottsville by a deep cold, which he contracted at Cumberland Courthouse. He will, however, join Congressman Hay here to-morrow to fill other appointments in the county.

After referring to the importance of every Democratic registering under the new constitution, Congressman Hay touched briefly upon what he regarded the leading issues, the tariff and the trusts.

NEW ISSUES.
The first, however, must be harmony in the ranks. The free coinage of silver, and the silver question is no longer an issue upon which the Democratic party can undertake to fight. It has been relegated to the rear. The speaker said he admired Bryan, an honest, able man, but circumstances are now such that Democracy will have to look elsewhere for a candidate, one who can unite all forces of the party, some man like Justice Brandeis, of New York.

The Republican party, he said, was divided on the tariff question and pointed for example to the great northwest, which is in favor of some revision of the tariff. The speaker said he was still intent that the tariff shall not be revised, but shall continue to live under the Dingley act.

NOT FOR FREE TRADE.
The Congressman said that he was not advocating free trade, but a fair business-like revision of the tariff, which will help the people of the country and which will not tend to arouse any fear on the part of the business men, that their business is going to be hurt.

The trusts are on the high tide of prosperity, the country is on a boom, and everybody is investing their money, but the time will come, said Mr. Hay, when these trusts will be unable to pay the dividends they have promised, and the same disaster which has met this country periodically will come again, unless we curb their power. There are two remedies for trusts: first take off the tariff duties on the articles manufactured by the trusts, and secondly, let Congress pass a law making it a penal offense for trusts to combine, and have officers who will carry out that law.

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Man Suspected of Spreading Defamatory Reports Gone.

FRIGHTENED BY THREATS

People Are Outspoken in Their Denunciation; Should Hang.

SAD FUNERAL OF YOUNG GIRL

Heart-broken Parents Wept Bitterly and There Was Scarcely a Dry Eye in the Throng That Assembled at the Grave—Girl's Fiance Is Desperate Over His Loss—Goes to Bed.

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Cognizant of the fact that public opinion considered him responsible for the reports that led to the suicide of Miss Eva Rachel Farmer, and fearing that he would receive dire punishment at the hands of relatives of the young girl, Gus Bottoms, a married man twenty-two years old, residing at Seventeenth and Everett Streets, Manchester, left town Thursday night immediately after learning of the tragic death of the young girl.

He was absent from his home last night and the night before. Members of his family told Mr. Eddie Newby, a friend and cousin, that he had left because of the threats of vengeance of the girl's father and sweetheart, Miss Farmer, was a third cousin of Bottoms, and while he was a resident of the county near the Farmer home he was treated as a brother. It was then believed he would have been the first to deny any defamatory report concerning her.

Instead there is widespread belief that he did first start the report, and continued to inform residents of the county that Miss Farmer was not a fit associate for their daughters.

Two weeks or more ago Mr. Farmer having learned of the rumor, and naturally believing his daughter innocent, sent for Mr. Bottoms and reported to him that he would be unmolested while in the county. It was on a Sunday that Mr. Bottoms went out to a home near that of Mr. Farmer and held a long conference with the parent. The exact result of this is not known, but certain it is that the slanderous report was discussed.

Mr. R. E. Coffin, a leading resident of Swansboro, declared last evening that he believed Bottoms had started the rumor against the good name of Miss Farmer, Miss Farmer was a niece of Mr. Criddle's.

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SUMMARY OF TO-DAY'S NEWS FORECAST.

Saturday and Sunday fair; light south winds.

Highest temperature—3 P. M., 80. Lowest temperature—5 A. M., 68. Mean temperature yesterday, 74. Normal temperature for September, 72. Departure from normal temperature, 2. Precipitation during past 24 hours, .08.

LOCAL.

Mayor at instigation of Police Board prefers charges against Captain J. B. Angle and suspends him until a thorough investigation is held.

Charles Attey, informant over report that caused suicide in Chesterfield. Grand jury takes a recess until Wednesday next after hearing prominent witnesses.

Richmond Alumni of the University of Virginia may meet at Chamber of Commerce to discuss faculty chairman. Great interest in the matter.

Horse Show entries close to-day. Great crowds continue to attend the Stuart meetings.

Richmond man arrested in Baltimore on request of Chief of Police. Is said to have a wife in each city.

Stark camp met in regular session last night. Lee Camp chooses delegates to the reunion at Wytheville.

VIRGINIA.

Congressman Hay opens the campaign at Charlottesville and declares the Democrats must look to other issues and new men. Senator Martin sick and unable to meet appointment.

Collier at James Lyons nominated for Congress by Tenth District Republicans. Jacob Yost declined it.

Postmaster at Timber Ridge, who used stamps illegally, died.